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PROPAGANDA IN GERMAN BOOKS UNDENIABLE

Association of Patriotic Teachers Convinced This Exists.

While Washington school teachers may be loath to believe that the books they have been teaching from have been intentionally saturated with German propaganda, the Association of Patriotic Teachers are convinced that it is true.

"It is peculiar," said William Mather Lewis yesterday at the headquarters of the society in the Union Trust Building, "that in the song book used by schools in the District there should be many songs by German composers, and some even printed in German, while there are no French or Italian songs printed in the native language, and few by native composers."

Answers Statement.

This statement was in answer to the statement made by G. J. Jones, of Central High School, who contended that he had found German propaganda in histories was no greater than that of the recital of the virtues of England and of France.

"In one of the song books there is 'The Little Dutch Girl' and besides many others there is a cradle song by Bahma.

"Even in such a thoroughly American movement as Community Singing German propaganda has crept in. In a book compiled for that purpose, a collection of fifty-five songs, there are such songs as 'The Soldier's Farewell,' by Johannes Kunkel.

"The Association of Patriotic Teachers is willing to go to the extreme of abolishing the playing even of Beethoven and other great German artists.

"Some people contend," said Mr. Lewis, "that music is universal and that no distinction should be made merely because of nationality. I have heard a fine musical artist say that to German music is due the tactlessness of the awakening in America of the menace of Prussianism. He said he realized this when he attended a concert of the wonderful Boston Symphony Orchestra. He was irritated at first that he had to sit and listen to a lot of music written in Germany. He became so engrossed in the undeniably beautiful music that he began to wonder whether a people that could produce such beautiful music were really as bad as they were painted. It is this effect that the wonderfully efficient music of Germany might have upon a lot of people, and at this stage of the game America cannot afford to have her sympathies aroused for Germany."

Mr. Lewis declared that he had received a letter from McMillan and Company, the publishers of the Washington school song book stating that the objectionable music would be replaced in their new edition with American patriotic songs.

URGES SECURE INLAND WAYS FOR SHIPPING

Redfield Points to Means of Saving Lives of Sailors.

The San Diego might have been saved and the lives of American sailors spared if it had been unnecessary to send a naval ship into dangerous waters to protect commerce which could have passed in safety in inland channels, if these had been provided, Secretary of Commerce Redfield, wrote Representative J. Hampton Moore yesterday.

The Secretary's letter, urging greater protection for American shipping by providing inland coastal waterways, is in part as follows:

"I am sure you must regard, as I do, the recent and occurrence of our northern Atlantic Coast with mingled feelings. We deeply regret the loss of a fine ship and still more deeply the loss of useful young lives. We are sorry for the destruction of property on the east coast of Massachusetts, and still more so for the injury to the workers on the vessels attacked. We shall agree that the utmost should be done to make these waters safe against a recurrence of these dangers.

Events Plead for Cause.

"You who have so earnestly labored to promote action which would in large part indeed have made these disasters impossible must feel that these occurrences reinforce the cause of which you have been a consistent exponent.

"The San Diego in the path of duty was protecting our commerce, but much, if not most, of the commerce was in danger to proceed through inland channels if these had been provided. The vessels which were sunk outside of Cape Cod could have gone in security free from all molestation if the canal opened to their use had been in the control of the government and free from tolls.

Some Canals Taken Over.

"I hope you will feel that the present occasion calls on you to urge anew the vital importance to the country and to humanity of leaving no stone unturned to get our inland coastal waterways into use with the least possible delay. I am advised that the Railroad Administration has already taken over a considerable portion of them, viz.: the Delaware and Eastern Canal and the New York State Barge Canal. This is a step in the right direction. It is only a step and the coast will not be secure until our commerce as well as our naval vessels may move unhampered from Boston to Beaufort, and perhaps farther."

Royal Air Force Men Plan Tour in West

Brig. Gen. Lee and other members of the Royal Air Force are planning an air journey of more than 2,500 miles through the Middle West. Stops will be made at many cities en route, to give demonstrations and lectures regarding the mastery of the air, with the object of impressing the general public with the great need for trained men who expect to go to the front in this service.

The tour will last a month and the men will go as far west as St. Louis. They plan to start from Indianapolis in August 10, and the trip will last at least a month.

Remnants of the 1909 to 1917 classes in Western Greece and fifteen classes of telegraphists have been called to sea duty.

GIRL CLERKS BUGABOO WILL BE BANISHED

Recreation League Will Post Notices of All Social Activities.

The girl war worker in Washington will find it difficult to harbor a lonesome feeling in the very near future. The Government Recreation League plans to confront her with bulletin boards, to be placed in all government departments, upon which will be posted notices of Y. W. C. A. meetings, dates of Community Center dances, War Camp Community affairs and all things social that are decided upon.

This is the desperate measure that has been decided upon to keep the elusive girl clerk in Washington. She has been leaving at the rate of 800 a week, and in so doing has driven government officials to patronize hair-dyeing industries.

Social Clearing House.

The Government Recreation League has established itself as a clearing house for all social activities in the government departments at 719 Fifteenth street. Here a committee composed of representatives of each government department, and there are more than a hundred departments, will decide upon measures to keep girls in this city after the novelty has worn off.

Other affairs and recreations will be planned. Foremost among these will be drills under the direction of Miss Susanna Cooroff who was recently appointed by the War Department to care for the health of government clerks, is reserved by her for middle age when there are not so many other things to be interested in. Drills are irresistible at the present moment. Other athletic activities will be planned to keep the young feminine worker in fighting trim, clear-eyed and alert at her desk each day.

Experts on the social needs of young people have been appointed to the advisory council. They are Mrs. Susie Root Rhodes, Miss Cecil B. Norton, C. N. Gifford, Eugene Bond, Miss Marjorie Day, Harold Knapp, Julius Feyser, Col. Clarence S. Ridley.

Other Offices.

Mr. George P. Aherm has been elected president of the league. He has an understanding twinkle in his eyes that only a father of six daughters could be expected to have.

Mr. J. H. Deming has been elected vice president in the plot to ensnare young women to remain in Washington.

Miss Maud Miles has had lots of experience with girls and she has been appointed secretary.

Mr. Alonso Tweedie is the treasurer. The branch secretaries are: For information, Miss Sibyl Baker; Registration, Henry T. Aherm; welfare, Mrs. Edwin C. Vogel; recreation, W. R. Moody; entertainment, Miss Marjorie Day.

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If Women Follow Opera Star's Idea Belgian Babies Will All Wear Silk



Geraldine Farrar Holding a Baby Clad in Silk Made from Pair of Her Silk Stockings.

Any woman who ever owned lovely stockings has lamented when they had to be discarded. Miles and miles of the long tops of fine silk stockings are converted into dust cloths annually or are tossed rudely into the ragbag just because nobody can find a use for the delicate mesh.

And now Geraldine Farrar once more achieves the impossible and adds another leaf to her laurel crown. This lovely lady has hit upon the plan of converting the tops of silk stockings into shirts for Belgian babies!

Certainly nobody ever before associated the idea of economy with the splendid Farrar. But it is in the nature of genius to do extraordinary well whatever it may undertake, and so, if Farrar once set her restless mind to conserve her hosiery, she would just naturally invent the most glorified of all possible economies.

It takes a pair of hose to make a baby's shirt. Any woman can see that when the stockings are slit and sewed together their curves will be perfectly adapted to the lines of an infant's body. And just as there are all sizes of babies and all kinds of weather, so stockings of all sizes and colors and textures make suitable material for an infant's first and most important garment.

Here is a charity which need not be confined to war orphans. It may very well begin at home. With the shortage of fine woven stuffs, the cost of baby clothes is exorbitant. Geraldine Farrar's suggestion is absolutely practicable in every home blessed with a baby. It is so sensible and economical that it may prove a worthy rival of woman's popular employment, knitting socks for soldiers.

Certainly this quaint economy is the product of a genuine humanitarian. Perhaps it brings its inventor closer to the public heart than ever she was as the charming "Goose Girl" or the tempestuous "Carmen."

ONE-HALF MILLION MEN NOW IN NAVY; SOON TO HAVE 700,000

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Further increases in the navy personnel will be made necessary by the addition of a greater number of patrol boats if the submarine menace should continue.

Developments in the Russian situation are being studied with keen interest by the navy officials, as any movement of troops would very likely increase the demand for armed patrols from the Navy Department.

PRESIDENT SIGNS BILL FOR CONTROL OF WIRE SYSTEM

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Congestion of messages upon the telephone lines has been serious and has resulted in the companies sending short-distance night letters by train and then by mail. The government can operate the long-distance telephone lines at the same time they are in use for phone circuits, and this is expected to relieve the situation. The T. & T. has used this system for years, but lack of unified operation between all the telephone and telegraph companies has barred a complete utilization of the possibilities.

It is expected that as a part of the postal system telegrams can be paid for in postage stamps. This will simplify the bookkeeping at the various branch offices. It is possible that ultimately the government may insist that all payments of messages be by stamps. This is still to be determined. However, it is not expected that the present arrangements of charge accounts will be disturbed.

Financing of the companies is provided for in the order of the President, together with methods for the companies to take their claims upon the courts if they think the compensation allowed them by the Postmaster General is not adequate. Possession is taken for the duration of the war, and the act of Congress under which the President acts provides that the date of the exchange of ratifications of the general peace treaty at the end of the war.

BABY FOUND IN PARK; MONTH OLD, HEALTHY

Infant Was Well Clothed and Wrapped in Good Blanket.

A beautiful girl baby, apparently about a month old, was found in a park yesterday morning in Pennsylvania avenue.

The baby was well clothed and wrapped in a good blue and white blanket. Policeman Smythe, who was on duty at the Russian embassy, heard the child crying and he took the tiny bundle to police headquarters and an effort is being made to find the mother of the infant.

A rigorous search of the hospitals and institutions of the city has been made to find out something regarding the child.

The doctors and nurses at the Georgetown University Hospital said it was a well developed baby, her weight being about 7 pounds. Last night it was stated at the Foundlings Home that the child was well and seemed to fit into its new surroundings all right.

GIRL WHO WORE KHAKI DEAD; HUSBAND FIGHTS

Hazel Carter, Who Sailed and Was Sent Back, Has Died.

While her husband, Corp. Carter, is serving in France, Hazel Carter, the girl who tried to go to France in the uniform of a United States soldier, is dead at her home in Lindsburg, New Mexico.

Clad in the khaki of an infantryman, young Mrs. Carter almost reached France last year with her husband's regiment. Corp. Carter stated that he was not aware that his bride had accompanied him, but members of his company and friends in their home town declared that the young husband had been drilling his bride some weeks before the orders came to sail.

With her hair cropped close and her military bearing, the girl soldier succeeded in deceiving the officials until the transport had almost reached its destination. Then when her sex was discovered, the girl was sent back on a returning steamer without even reaching the French coast.

At the time of her death she was only 23 years of age. Word of her death has been sent to her soldier husband in France.

RAINCOAT FRAUD ARRESTS.

New York, July 23.—Two "big fish," as promised in predictions made by Department of Justice officials, fell into the government dragnet today in connection with the alleged frauds involving millions of dollars in inferior raincoats for soldiers' wear. Charles L. Fuller, chief government inspector for the New York district, and Harry E. Lazarus, a wealthy manufacturer of clothing, were arrested. Lazarus was head of the Council of National Defense subcommittee to which was assigned the placing, in the New York district, of raincoat contracts.

SUMMER RATES

Rooms with Detached Bath, \$1.50 Up.
Rooms with Private Bath, \$3 Up.
Club Suites, Table d'Hôte Dinner.

DEWAY HOTEL

MAC ORGANAIZE SOON A LEAGUE OF NATIONS

Plan Has Developed in Diplomatic Circles Here Lately.

Marked increase in discussions of the expediency of immediate formation of a League of Nations has developed in diplomatic circles here in the last ten days. Foreign representatives point to the successful conclusion of negotiations between the allies and America in the complex problem presented by Siberia, as evidence that will be possible before the year closes to create a league for the protection of small nations.

The very recent change in the military aspects of the war has also played a strong part in bringing to the attention of the anti-German nations the possibility of supplementing the military unity of the allies with a great political program. A prominent allied leader yesterday said:

Four Forces Involved.

"The strategy of modern warfare is based upon knowledge of the four elements in the enemy's strength. To be successful war is today necessary to attack with four forces. These are: the military, the political, the economic and the psychological. Up to the present time Germany has been showing her full strength in the development and use of each of these four arms of the service.

"The allies, however, have been depending far more upon the military, than they have upon the other factors. It is true that within the last six months we have mobilized to a great extent the economic strengths of the nations and through our war trade wars and similar institutions we are almost daily carrying on a strenuous war for the prevention of shipment of a raw materials into the German camps. We are also unifying our own economic resources.

"Perhaps our weakest arm to date is the use of the psychological. But we are making progress with that and some of the agencies created by America are doing notable work.

"But the allies have been weak in their political unity. It is to be hoped that they will be able through a clear expression of aims to create a definite peace program. Without doubt such a plan through the fact that it was put forward by President Wilson.

Organize Before Peace?

"But it is now being urged by many thinking men that the league should be organized before the war ends; that in fact it should be used now as a powerful agency for bringing peace. It is to be hoped that the allies to draw up the articles of agreement by which such a league would be formed, they would at the same time make clear the exact attitude they will assume at the peace conference. In other words, that instead of being individual bargainers with Germany, they will come to the peace conference united in their peace aims and the measures they will advocate to enforce them."

JOHNSON CHARGES BIG CENTER MARKET WITH PROFITEERING

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ing a hard time to live. So they boost their prices.

Mr. Hegg denied that there were no rooms for less than \$50. Apartments are hard to find, according to Mr. Hegg, but rooms are not so expensive.

Mr. Hegg also denied that the Housing Committee was one of those alleged to be "asleep at the switch." He brought out files of letters since April, recording wrongs righted, to prove his point.

Ben Johnson's Complaint.

Ben Johnson, representative from Kentucky, chairman of the District of Columbia House Committee, is daily receiving letters concerning the profiteering in the District. The two that follow show what rent profiteering was received yesterday.

"The real estate interests here are profiteering on an extensive scale as follows:

"A builder erects cheaply constructed houses on ground controlled by real estate interests. These houses are sold at exorbitant prices to war workers, unacquainted with real estate values here. The ordinary box house, 30x24, containing six rooms and bath that formerly would sell for \$3,500 is now being built and sold for \$4,750. It sounds preposterous, but it is a fact. The buyers are newcomers unacquainted with values and they must have some place to live."

The letter is signed by a man who deals in real estate and loans. The following are a few of the figures pinned to a clipping advertisement of an apartment near Dupont Circle. The rent advertised is \$150 per month.

"October, 1916, my husband, Major Johnson, was ordered to Washington for station. We rented an apartment, 1745 P street northwest, of three rooms, bath and kitchenette, at the rate of \$40.50 per month, unfurnished.

"When Major Johnson was ordered to France, I came to Washington, found that the apartment above mentioned had been furnished and was now renting for \$150 per month, as per clipping attached.

"This is for your information regarding profiteering real estate men."

Electric Fans, \$6.98

A High-grade Fan, with universal motor; will run on any current; adjustable for position on desk, table or wall.

Palais Royal—Fourth Floor.

Think of It! A Dinner Set for \$1.45

Service for Four People.

Just the thing for small families or for temporary use.

4 Cups and Saucers
4 Dinner Plates
1 Meat Platter

4 Sauce Dishes
4 Butter Chops
1 Vegetable Dish

Sale of Aluminum Saucepans

Only 500 at This Price.

1-qt., 29c.
1 1/2-qt., 49c.
2-qt., with cover, \$1.00.

Wood Flower Boxes

Green in and outside.

24-inch.....99c
36-inch.....1.25
48-inch.....1.99c

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DESTINABLE QUALITIES—CORRECT STYLES—A. LISTER.

Household Day! 1,000 Pieces White Enameled Ware--

Other Bargains

Every Piece First Quality

Values to \$2.00 **89c** Values to \$2.00

A sale every economically inclined housekeeper will welcome. Only the fact that these goods were purchased months ago enables us to offer them at this low price. Only 100 of each item—so we advise early shopping.

In the assortment are:

Tea Kettles
Dishpans
Teapots
Preserving Kettles
Covered Saucepans

Double Boilers
Water Pails
Coffee Pots
Convex Kettles
Lipped Saucepans

To prevent dealers from buying we reserve the right to limit quantities.

On Sale Housewares Dept.—Fourth Floor.

SALE OF PERFECTION OIL COOK STOVES

These well-known stoves are acknowledged the best made. Thousands of them are in use because they do not smoke and are odorless. Very easy to operate.

These special prices for today only:

1 burner, round, Special.....\$3.98
2 burner, as illustrated.....\$12.98
3 burner style as illustrated.....\$17.98
4 burner style as illustrated.....\$22.98

1,000 Fine English Teapots

Handsome Enamel Decorations **55c** Choice of 3 sizes

Values to \$1.25.

8-Piece Baking Set, 39c

Fireproof brown and white earthenware.

3-Piece Bowl Sets, 45c

For mixing or baking.

Wash Tubs, 98c

Heavy galvanized iron.

Fancy Waste Paper Baskets, 35c

Gas Irons, \$2.25

Including 6-foot metal tubing and stand.

Wash Boilers, 98c

Heavy tin; good fitting cover.

Four Big Specials in Dinner Sets

32-Piece Set, \$3.69

Each piece decorated with gold medallions. Service for 8 people.

51-Piece Set, \$6.98

Pretty pink and green floral pattern. Complete service for six people.

100 Pieces, \$12.98

Handsome gold border pattern. Slight factory seconds.

100 Pieces, \$19.98

Choice of several attractive designs. Every one an exceptional value.

Two-Quart Butter Churn

\$1.39

Regular Price, \$2

Makes 3 pounds of merged butter from 1 pound of butter and 1 pint of milk.

Broom Sale, \$1.25

Grades, Special, \$1.25

Hygienic Carpet Sweeper, Very Special, \$1.39

Garbage Cans, Galvanized

\$1.00 Size for 79c
\$1.39 Size for 98c

Pots' Sad Iron, Set of Three, \$1.48

Regular \$1.98 Set.

Toilet Paper, Regular 50 Rolls, 7 for 25c